Bay of Naples - Italy
September 7 - 14, 2019

This Bay of Naples sailing vacation will center on the Phlegraean and Pontine islands, and the Amalfi coast on the Sorrento Peninsula. The Phlegraean and Pontine groups include Procida, Ischia, Ventotene, Ponza, Palmarola, and tiny Santo Stefano, among others. Capri, southeast of Procida, is in a class of its own. All of these islands are within the fabled Tyrrhenian Sea, an arm of the Mediterranean 475 miles in length and 60 miles wide.

The Isle of Capri, its name summons images of the Mediterranean, the storied history of the Greeks and Romans, the chic and sophisticated who routinely vacation there. The island is but one jewel in a chain extending off the southwest coast of Italy. Naples lies just to the north.

Join us as an individual, couple or cobble together a group of friends or family to fill a boat of your own.

If you have your own group and can act as skipper, you may charter your own boat and join the flotilla instead of joining individually or as a couple. This gives you the option to choose boat, provisioning package and other options. Contact Bob at for information about cost and availability.

If September is not a good time to get away, you can book your own private bareboat or crewed charter any time of your choosing. Contact office for more info.

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Itinerary

Plan to arrive at the Sunsail/Moorings charter base in Procida before noon on September 7, 2019. Procida is an island accessible by a short ferry ride from Naples.

Day 1, Sept 7 – Arrive at the charter base by lunchtime. Chart and boat briefings in the afternoon and spend the night on the boat at the base. Dinner in town.

Day 2 - Procida to Porto Momano, Ventotene. (6 hr Sailing time) Day 1 takes you out into the Gulf of Naples to the island of Ventotene. You’ll cruise past Ischia’s flawless coastline and enjoy blue water sailing. Navigate to Porto Romano on Ventotene’s northeast coast. Here you can moor in safety to explore the pretty little town and visit the interesting Museum of the Sea, or sail along the island’s southern and northern shores in search of quiet bays and beaches.

Day 3 - Porto Romano to Ponza (4 hr Sailing time) Today you’ll sail to the next island in the Pontine chain, beautiful Ponza 25 miles to the west. Let the Tyrrhenian slip away beneath your keel until Ponza grows larger in the distance. Anchor at Frontone Bay on the eastern side of the island or continue around to Chiaia di Luna in the west. Both offer sheltered anchorage and allow you to explore the bays, beaches and spectacular geological formations Ponza is known for. The snorkelling in Ponza’s crystal clear waters is excellent.

Day 4 – Ponza (1 hr Sailing Time) Enjoy a second day in scenic Ponza. Explore the hidden coves and caves of this spectacular island. Moor at Ponza harbour and walk streets of pastel coloured houses and traditional churches. Stay on Ponza or take a day trip to the nearby island of Palmarola, a nature reserve of incredible cliffs and grottos where you can dive and snorkel.

Day 5 - Ponza to Sant’ Angelo, Ischia (9 hr Sailing time) Enjoy a long spell of blue water cruising from Ponza to Ischia, setting off early to enjoy the fantastic sailing conditions of western Italy. Bask in the freedom of open water sailing as you cruise past Ventotene Island towards Ischia, where you’ll moor in the marina at Sant’ Angelo. Spend the late afternoon lounging on the beach or relaxing in a local bar.

Day 6 – Sant’ Angelo to Marina Grande, Capri (3 hr Sailing time) A short sail southeast from Ischia takes you to the glamorous island of Capri. Head to Marina Grande on the island’s north coast, where you’ll find a bustling marina with superyachts, pleasure boats and other playthings of the rich and famous. Capri is an island of spectacular scenery, with high cliffs, hidden continued...
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grottos and unusual rock formations making the island ideal for hikers and explorers. If you’d like a quieter place to overnight, then Marina Piccola on the southern side of the island offers more secluded anchorage.

Day 7 – Marina Grande to Procida (5 hr Sailing time) Cruise back across the Gulf of Naples towards the base on Procida. The final day you’ll sail the blue waters of the Tyrrhenian Sea one last time before returning home. Make the most of your last day in the Phlegraean Islands to explore glamorous Capri or scenic Procida, stopping off at quiet bays and beaches or settling down in sleepy restaurants for one last taste of delicious Italian cuisine. Stay the night on the boats at the base.

Day 8 – Return to Naples to head home or continue on your European holiday

The Boats

Spinnaker has reserved 5 boats for this flotilla. Three are monohulls in the 47 to 50 foot range, each with 4 cabins. The others two are a 46 foot 4 cabin cat and a 50 foot 5 cabin cat.

Bareboat Charter Certification

Certification is available to Basic Coastal Cruising graduates who have done at least 3 charters as skipper on a BCC boat such as a Merit 25 or Catalina 27 and have passed the Docking Endorsement class. The cost is $400.00 for non members & $300.00 for members. Cruising Catamaran is also available for those sailing on catamarans. You can also get both Catamaran and Bareboat if onboard a Catamaran for this trip.

Study materials are provided and a study session for BBC and Cruising Cat will be offered about 2 months before the trip.

Activities in Italy

Swimming at beautiful beaches along the shores of the rocky islands, scenic bays filled with local fishing craft, quiet waterfront towns where pink, white, and yellow homes and shops paint the steep slopes in a pleasing and timeless mosaic, it is these charms that make a Bay of Naples sailing vacation an experience to remember for a lifetime.

The islands of the Tyrrhenian Sea are volcanic in origin, and the hot springs, thermal baths, and rejuvenating mineral water, long renowned for its supposed healing power, are among the unique features of Italy. And of course, a Bay of Naples yacht charter wouldn’t be complete without sightseeing and savoring the local cuisine, some of the most delicious in the world. A mix of pleasures await sailors at every port of call, and the getting there, white sails drawing in a balmy breeze, is at the heart of the adventure.

Dining

Provisions for onboard needs will be custom ordered by each crew while dinners will be had ashore. Each crew will get together by July 1st to custom order provisions and beverages with the charter company. The cost to be split up among crew members.

Crew Meetings

July. 1st, 2019

Each crew should meet to complete their provision & beverage orders by July. 1st. (There’s nothing like doing a beverage order to help people get to know each other.)

Reservation and Payment Information

Cost per Cabin
$4000 on 4 cabin 4 head Catamaran
$3200 on 4 cabin 4 head monohull

Payments:
$200 non refundable deposit
1/3 due March 1, 2019.
1/3 due May. 1, 2019.

Airfare is not included but we’ll help you to get the right flights.

price subject to change